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Jordan Offers Apology For Tulkarm Attack

The Israel local commander in the Tulkarm area yesterday initiated a meeting with his Jordan opposite number to discuss Monday's two border violations, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

The Jordan commander said that, through a misunderstanding, on that day, fire was opened on an Israel unit and on a police car, and he promised to take steps to see that such acts were not repeated.

ANA reports that yesterday morning at Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem the Israel-Jordan M.A.C. held its first regular meeting in seven weeks to discuss 150 complaints which have accumulated in the past three months.

Recently, the M.A.C. has met only in emergency session to discuss specific complaints. It is to continue its discussions this morning, it was announced.

ANA also reports that the Lebanon yesterday submitted a strong complaint to the Israel-Lebanon Mixed Armistice Commission charging Israel forces with blowing up two houses in the village of Bint J'beil on Tuesday night.

Riley Leaves Today After 5 Years Here

His best wishes for the peoples of the Near East "in their search for a solution to the problem" which would be acceptable to all parties were expressed yesterday in a farewell message by Lt.-General William E. Riley who is leaving today after serving for five years as the U.N. Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization.

Gen. Riley

General Riley said that Major General Vagon Bennike, who is replacing him, would continue to exert every effort to further the cause of peace and was worthy of the fullest confidence.

The text of General Riley's message follows:

On the eve of my departure and of my release from duty as Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization, I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation to the peoples of the Near East, who are so deeply concerned with the complex problem of their relations, for the many courtesies they have extended to me during my term of office.

I also express to them my very best wishes for success in their search for a solution to the problem which will be satisfactory to all the parties concerned.

I shall, of course, follow the evolution of the situation here with a very sincere personal interest, as I have been so intimately associated with the events of the past five years.

I am convinced that you may have full confidence in the new Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, Major General Bennike, who has been entrusted with this important mission by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and who will continue to exert every effort to further the cause of peace in this area.

Services Appreciated

General Riley paid a farewell visit to the Foreign Ministry at Hakirya yesterday.

Mr. Michael Comay, acting Director-General, presented General Riley with a first century glass vase in a leather casket with a plaque inscribed, "To General William Riley from the Israel Ministry for Foreign Affairs in appreciation of his service for Middle East peace."

Mr. Comay voiced the high esteem in which the Foreign Minister and the Ministry held General Riley, and praised the qualities he had shown during the past five years, not only as a fine soldier but also for his capacity to deal with complex political affairs. They had not always seen eye to eye with him, Mr. Comay said, but that in no way affected their admiration for him.

General Riley regretted that hopes of converting the Armistice Agreement into normal peaceful relations had not been fulfilled. He paid tribute to the leaders, officials and officers of the State with whom he had been in contact during his years of service here.

BRITISH M. EAST C-in-C IN AMMAN

General Sir Cameron Nicholson, new Commander British Land Forces Middle East, arrived in Amman yesterday and met Prime Minister Fawzi Mulki and Brigadier John Glubb, Commander of the Arab Legion, ANA reports.

Before leaving Fayid, his Canal Zone headquarters, on Tuesday, Sir Cameron said that there was very little defence in the Middle East other than that provided by the British Forces. "The area is militarily unprepared to face another war," he stated, according to INA.

He added that his army, which was "absolutely ready for any operation," was now being reinforced with the latest weapons and is prepared to meet the obligations to which Britain is pledged under treaties with several Middle East countries."

More German Riots; Over 30 Executed

BERLIN, Wednesday (UP). — A wave of Communist reprisal executions of East German riot leaders swelled today amid increasing reports of new bloody rioting and tightened martial law in the vital uranium fields and other parts of the Soviet Zone.

The toll of executions is believed to be at least 30, and is possibly much higher. Mass arrests are continuing, and at least 5,000 workers are believed to be in Communist prisons in East Berlin and over 20,000 in other parts of the Soviet Zone.

The stringent penalties are being directed by Deputy Chief Justice Hilde Benjamin.

Reports reaching here tell of many Communist police being killed in fierce clashes with rioting workers in the uranium fields of Saxony. Martial law, imposed by the Russians last week, is said to have been tightened as a result.

The Mayor of Doeberitz is reported to have been executed for having knocked down a policeman. On the other hand, three Erfurt policemen and two in East Berlin are said to have been executed for failing to fire on rioters.

Party Will Correct Errors—Grotewohl

BERLIN, Wednesday (AFP). — East German Premier Otto Grotewohl told workers at the Karl Liebknecht plant in Berlin Oberschoeneweide today that the Government's resignation would in no way help the current situation.

"We have made mistakes, but no member of the Government has the right to leave now. We have built the State and the people must be shown that we will put things to rights.

"The Party will draw the proper conclusions from its mistakes, and you will notice the results one day," he said.

He announced that a complete, or clear-cut programme would be presented to the workers in a fortnight.

Grotewohl acknowledged that his Government had erred in wishing to institute economic self-efficiency. We must import from abroad; we cannot produce everything ourselves.

"The restoration of German unity is the most important item in our policy. We are fighting for unity; there is no unity without understanding; there is no peace without unity," he said.

West Pledges Help To Restore Normality

BERLIN, Wednesday. — The three Western Commandants here today replied to Soviet Commandant Major General P. T. Dibrova's charge that Western agents had organized the anti-Communist riots in East Berlin.

"You and the rest of the world are well aware of the true causes of the disorders," the American, British and French Commandants said.

They repeated their demand for the lifting of restrictions in East Berlin, and promised to cooperate in re-establishing normal conditions throughout the city. They urged that "steps already taken by the Soviet authorities (to ease the restrictions) be carried to their logical conclusion."

French Commandant General Pierre Mancenaux-Demiau today visited General Dibrova to reiterate the Western demand that normal conditions of life be restored in Berlin as soon as possible. *(Reuter)*

Ali Says Suez Zone Settlement Likely

CAIRO, Wednesday. — Pakistan Prime Minister Mohammed Ali, on his departure for Karachi today, declared: "I am leaving Cairo more than hopeful of a settlement in the Anglo-Egyptian dispute over the Suez Canal base."

His Foreign Minister, Sir Zafrullah Khan, added, "The situation is much brighter."

They were seen off by President Nagib to whom they, together with Indian Premier Jawaharlal Nehru, had presented the views of the British Commonwealth Prime Ministers on the resumption of Anglo-Egyptian talks.

American Ambassador Jefferson Caffery took part in discussions yesterday with Sir Zafrullah and Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi.

'No Negotiations'

In spite of these negotiations, Nagib told an enormous crowd in Republic Square last night that his Government would not negotiate with Britain on the evacuation of the Canal Zone.

Yesterday evening Mr. Nehru called on ex-Premier Mustapha Nahas. The ex-Wafd leader later returned the visit in a 45-minute talk at the Indian Embassy here. This was the first time that Nahas had met a foreign statesman since the Nagib coup in July 1952.

Today, the Indian Premier, who is leaving on Friday, was taken for a day-long boat ride on the Nile with Nagib, Fawzi, Vice-Premier Abdul Nasser and other members of the Egyptian team to the abandoned Suez talks.

Sir Ralph Stevenson, British Ambassador here, arrived in London by sea today on leave during which he will be treated for sciatica. The Embassy is now in the charge of Mr. Robert Mankey. *(AP, Reuter, UP)*

800 Pruta Premium Extended

Jerusalem POST Reporter

A second list of products enjoying the 800 pruta a dollar export premium has been issued to banks by the Foreign Currency Department of the Finance Ministry, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

The system of granting an 800 pruta premium on every dollar of export value earned by exporters was begun by the Government last month.

The list includes furs, paintings, drawings, buttons and all types of basket ware.

The Department also issued regulations whereby Israelis must sell their German "speermarks" (blocked marks) only to banks acting as agents for the Treasury at the rate of IL1 to four marks.

Formerly, Israelis could import used parcels and personal commodities with these speermarks. They may be used, however, to finance imports from Germany if the transaction is approved by the Development Authority.

French Matron Loses Appeal on Finaly Boys

PARIS, Wednesday (AFP). —The Court of Cassation has rejected an appeal by Antoinette Brun against the award of custody of the Finaly orphans to their aunt, Mrs. M. Rosner, of Gedera, Israel.

It was after the Grenoble Court had awarded custody of the children to Mrs. Rosner that they were abducted by Catholic prelates and laymen and believed to have been taken over the Spanish border.

Knesset Group To Consider Finaly Case

Grave concern over the fate of the Finaly orphans was expressed in the Knesset yesterday when Rabbi Benjamin Minta (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) moved for a debate on the matter.

The Chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, Mr. Meir Argov, said that the House associated itself with the demand of Jewish people everywhere that the boys be returned to their legitimate guardian, but practical considerations dictated that the matter be referred to the Committee. His motion was unopposed.

If the Finaly brothers are not returned, the case would acquire the significance of the Dreyfus Affair, Rabbi Minta said, and would become "a mark of Cain on the brow of humanity."

The aunt of the Finaly boys — Mrs. M. Rosner—is a resident of Gedera.

Yesterday morning Chief Rabbi Herzog discussed the Finaly case with a delegation of public figures.

As an outcome of the discussion on the State Education Bill, Mrs. Esther Raziel-Naor (Herut) moved that the Knesset debate the question of a single flag and a single anthem, but the House voted this down after the Minister of Education said that the matter was now under consideration by the Government.

Mrs. Esther Vilenska (Communist) moved to debate the "furious onslaught" by the police on demonstrators in Tel Aviv who were demanding clemency for the Rosenbergs.

Police Minister Behor Shitreet replied that the demonstrators had displayed a dozen slogans, only one of which dealt with the Rosenbergs; they had blocked traffic in the main thoroughfare, and the police had, in reality, saved the demonstrators from the hands of the public.

Most of those arrested had not been demonstrators, Mr. Shitreet said. He warned that unauthorized demonstrations would continue to be dispersed by police.

For a Knesset member, by his presence, to give protection to an unlawful demonstration was unfair, he maintained.

Lloyd Says Soviet Action Restrained

LONDON, Wednesday (AP). — Minister of State Selwyn Lloyd told the House of Commons today that "the Russians appeared to have behaved so far with restraint" in cutting down the East Berlin rioting. But he quickly pointed out to protesting members that the Government was not condoning such Russian actions as the shooting of German workers without trial.

Mr. Lloyd said the Soviet and Allied authorities were now in touch regarding the early resumption of inter-zonal communications, and the Berlin situation appeared to be gradually returning to normal.

"Although the Russians appear to have behaved so far with restraint, a number of East Berlin citizens were killed and wounded," Lloyd said. "In addition, a West Berlin citizen was summarily executed and at least seven persons died in the Western sector after being carried in from the Eastern sector, and now over 100 wounded are in the Western sector."

Prime Minister Churchill assured West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer yesterday that Britain would stand by her agreements with West Germany.

He gave this assurance in a letter to the German Chancellor and declared that "Germany in no way will be sacrificed nor cease to be master of its own fortunes within the agreements we and other countries have made with her."

Low Secondary School Attendance

By SRAYA SHAPIRO
POST Knesset Correspondent

Only two per cent of the Education Ministry's budget will be spent for secondary education, the Minister, Prof. Benzion Dinur, told the Knesset yesterday in the course of his budget presentation.

In Israel, there are only 7.7 secondary school pupils to every 100 elementary school pupils, he said, while in most other countries the ratio is from 20 to 30 per 100.

Prof. Dinur spoke highly of the country's teachers — "the guardians of the State's future." Teachers will become full Government employees as from April next.

They will be asked to devote to their school work more than the 30 hours called for by their contracts, and will be considered as educators, rather than teachers.

80 in a Class

The Ministry is planning to organize district bureaus to supervise and direct teaching throughout the country. The standard schoolroom is planned for 50 to 55 pupils, but sometimes smaller classes are necessary, involving additional expenditure, Prof. Dinur explained.

Two-thirds of the budget goes for elementary schools, the Minister said, in which some 200,000 Jewish children—expected to increase by 20,000 next term—and over 24,000 Arab children are being educated.

Kindergartens will no longer be included in the sphere of responsibility of the Ministry under the Compulsory Education Law, not only because the State has to curtail expenses, but also because of organizational difficulties.

Kindergartens should be run by the local authorities, Prof. Dinur felt, but the Government will contribute IL.850,000 to their support this year.

The Government is to cover 80 per cent of the Hebrew University ordinary budget, 30 per cent of the Technion's expenditures, and 35 per cent of the Weizmann Institute budget. A sum of IL.27,000 has been set aside for stipends, enabling 120 needy students to receive about IL.300 a year.

Commenting on the Minister's presentation, Mrs. Sara Kafrith (Mapai) said that teaching Hebrew to new immigrants is more important at the moment than higher education.

The estimates call for a decrease of cultural work in *ma'barot* and a cut of 50 per cent in funds for libraries in new settlements.

Rabbi Mordecai Nurok (Mizrahi) protested that "a certain professor had seen fit to lecture to murderers of our people in some towns of that blood-stained country, and even to receive a prize at their hands." The reference was, clearly, to Prof. Martin Buber.

Rabbi Nurok managed to finish his protest, although the Speaker interrupted several times to say that the matter had no connection with the budget.

Weary members asked for adjournment two hours before schedule to which the Speaker finally agreed, the benches being practically empty.

Talks Begin On Jewish Claims Against Austria

VIENNA, Wednesday (UP). — Austrian Government officials and representatives of the Jewish Material Claims Conference began negotiations here today.

No details of the amount of the claim nor of the probable Austrian counter-proposal were available. No communique was issued by either side, following the first day's negotiations which ran well into the evening.

Police dispersed nearly 2,000 students demonstrating here today against a proposed increase of university fees after a number of students had shouted anti-Semitic taunts.

They had marched through the city centre to demonstrate outside the Education Ministry. Fritz Studer of the extreme right wing League of Independents and a member of the Austrian Lower House told them that his Party would take care of students' interests in "German Vienna."

A number of students demanded "equal rights with the Jews." They complained that a Jewish delegation had been received by the Government but a students' delegation had not been received in Parliament.

Bundestag Passes Draft Indemnification Law

BONN, Wednesday (INA).—The Bundestag this afternoon approved a draft reading of the Indemnification Law which provides for the return of property to German citizens who were persecuted by the Nazis.

In an informal vote only the Communists went on record as opposing the measure. The Law was introduced by Jannette Wolff, a Social Democrat from Berlin and a concentration camp survivor.

Dr. Meron for London

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday (ITIM). — Negotiations with the West German Government concerning Templar property in Israel will open in July in a European capital, Dr. Gershon Meron, who will head the Israel Delegation, flew to London today.

Dr. Meron was loaned to the Government by Delek, the Israel Fuel Corp., which he directs.

The negotiations will concern property held by the Custodian of Enemy Property, mainly in Sarona, Wilhelmina, Haifa, Jerusalem and Jaffa. In the Reparations Agreement there is a provision for discussions on this problem.

Other members of the Israel Delegation will be Mr. H. Kadmon, the Custodian-General, and Mr. Eli Nathan, Deputy Legal Adviser to the Foreign Ministry.

Ben Gurion Sees Jets

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday (ITIM). — The Prime Minister, Mr. Ben Gurion, and senior officers of the Army yesterday inspected the jet fighters acquired from Great Britain.

Mr. Ben Gurion and his party flew in two cargo planes escorted by four fighters to an air base "somewhere in Israel." They returned to Lydda in the evening.

Immigration Crisis Causes Concern

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The "Crisis in Aliya" — the fact that more persons are leaving the country this year than are entering — was aired here this afternoon in an open session of the Public Council on Immigration.

Mr. Itzhak Raphael, Director of the Immigration Department of the Jewish Agency, said that he expected less than 18,000 immigrants this year.

The selection rules would be eased and the maximum age of immigrants would be 40 instead of 36. Sick immigrants who can be cured within a short period would be permitted to come, he said. Facilities for 1,000 persons needing medical treatment will be available at the Sha'ar Ha'aliya immigration camp and for 2,000 abroad, mainly in Tunis, Morocco, and Persia, the only sources of immigration at present.

Immigration is not expected from West Europe. A few newcomers may come from Bulgaria and Poland; no immigration is expected from Rumania, he said.

Hard for Westerners

Immigrants from West Europe and the U.S. were unwilling to come because of the employment and housing situation. High customs payments and the difficulties in receiving import licences were also obstacles, he added.

The Jewish Agency and the Government would provide better housing on easy terms, credits and special dispensation with regard to military service for these immigrants, Mr. Raphael announced. A special committee of three Cabinet Ministers and three Agency representatives would deal with the problem, he said.

During the discussion, speakers expressed grave concern at the stoppage of immigration and the increase of emigration. Emigrants were spreading a great deal of anti-Israel propaganda abroad, dissuading would-be pioneers from coming, it was said.

Middle Class Worries

Although facilities existed to receive poor immigrants, there were none to care for the middle class newcomer and a proposal was voiced to form a special department to deal with the latter type.

A suggestion was also made to curb the granting of exit permits and to form a department which would deal individually with each person emigrating.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, returned from Switzerland yesterday, while Mr. Pinhas Sapir, head of the Development Authority, arrived from Paris.

Premier Promises Jerusalem Aid

Jerusalem POST Staff

The Government shortly will decide on far-reaching steps for the development of Jerusalem, Prime Minister Ben Gurion told a three-member delegation representing the industrialists of the city and the Histadrut, in a meeting in Jerusalem yesterday.

The delegation was composed of Mr. N. Lifshitz, chairman of the Manufacturers' Association, Mr. M. Friedman, of the Jerusalem Workers' Council, and Mr. M. Brisker, of the Artisans' Association. They gave the Prime Minister their views on the economic problems of the city and on the question of unemployment, and mentioned plans for the development of the city.

Mr. Ben Gurion told them that the Cabinet had already decided "to instruct all Ministers and Government offices to give priority to Jerusalem in such matters as providing loans, making allocations for industrial development, expansion of agriculture in the vicinity of the city, and allocation of raw materials."

The Cabinet has decided to hold a special meeting on Jerusalem within a month, when the issue will be discussed more fully. The Prime Minister was interested especially in the question of immigrant absorption in Jerusalem, and inquired into the difficulties in this field.

Mr. Friedman, in this connection, asked for the abolition of the two *ma'barot* in which over 10,000 new immigrants now live, and for the provision of permanent housing for them. He pointed out that while these people live in *ma'barot* they are not integrated into the economic life of the city nor do they share the collective municipal burden.

Mr. Ben Gurion proposed that a special public body be set up to deal with the question of the development of the capital. The delegation, on the other hand, suggested that a special Government department be established in the Ministry of Development to deal with the affairs of Jerusalem.

Tourism Needed

Mr. Lifshitz also pointed out that steps should be taken to encourage tourism, and asked that the Development Budget should take special note of the needs of Jerusalem to encourage the establishment of new industries in the capital.

The Prime Minister pointed out that Jerusalem should, by its very nature, become the centre of Israel's book industry, which should become an important export industry.

He told the delegation that the Minister of Development and the Minister of Interior have been delegated to present to the Cabinet detailed plans on the economic progress of Jerusalem and asked the delegation to present specific proposals to these Ministers. It is understood that such proposals will be submitted within 10 days.

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Rhee Expects Compromise As War Enters Fourth Year

U.N. Tensed for New Communist Drive

SEOUL, Wednesday (UP). — The Korean war entered its fourth year today with U.N. forces tensely awaiting a new Communist attempt to smash their line before a truce is signed.

The Communists brought the third year of the war to a blazing end today by loosing a 6,000-man attack on U.S. 3rd infantry and South Korean positions.

Allied troops crushed both attacks. At dusk, there was only harassing fire from the North lines. But it looked as if the Communists would strike again tomorrow.

U.S. 5th Air Force Sabre jet pilots marked the anniversary by shooting down six MIG-15 jet fighters this afternoon and damaging one.

Today's attacks ended a five-day "little armistice" that had followed the drafting of an armistice text at Panmunjom.

Europe Council Quits Before Policy Debate

STRASBOURG, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Council of Europe's plan to outline a European policy before the Bermuda meeting of Western Government chiefs crumbled today in a confused and acrimonious debate on procedure.

The Council's 15-nation Consultative Assembly voted by 44 to 35 with five abstentions against Belgium's proposal to hold a debate before Bermuda.

The debate was originally planned for today, but parliamentary affairs this week in Bonn, Rome and Paris had a prior claim on over a third of the delegates.

Wrangling Over Dates

For two hours this afternoon, 29 speakers wrangled with each other for alternative dates, ranging between next Saturday and next September.

Urgent appeals for a clear European definition of policy were made by Professor Carlo Schmidt, German Social Democrat. He said that the risings in East Germany were of such importance that the Assembly must formulate a common policy on Germany as background to a possible Four-Power conference. He proposed holding a debate this week or next. The French and Italians proposed next weekend.

Turks, Greeks and most Scandinavians said that they could not afford to spend so much time or money travelling to and from Strasbourg, and the debate must be this weekend or next September.

The 1953 session was adjourned until September 15.

2nd Thoughts in South Korea

SEOUL, Wednesday. — South Korean President Syngman Rhee said today that his forthcoming talks with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson might "open new channels" to a settlement of the truce situation.

In an interview with NBC correspondent Jim Robinson, Rhee said that the talks might lead to an armistice "more agreeable to us and perhaps more honourable to the U.S."

Mr. Robertson, head of the State Department's Far Eastern Division, flew into Tokyo today with a secret message from Secretary of State Dulles. He told reporters: "Despite all difficulties, we are still hopeful that we may be able to remove all misunderstandings which are in the way of achieving peace."

He refused to hint at the contents of the message he bears.

Mr. Robertson is to confer with Supreme Allied Commander General Mark Clark, his diplomatic adviser Robert Murphy, and U.S. Ambassador Ellis Briggs, before flying here for talks with Rhee tomorrow.

Meanwhile, political events here have taken a new turn. The South Korean National Assembly decided by 78 votes to nil, with 23 abstentions, to summon the Prime Minister and three other Cabinet Ministers to explain why Rhee ignored U.N. authority and freed the non-Communist prisoners.

A brutal attack was made on the person and home of former Interior Minister Chopyung Cho, the only South Korean Minister so far to have criticized Rhee's stand against an armistice.

Still playing the strong man, Rhee has called for mass demonstrations throughout South Korea tomorrow to mark the third anniversary of the Northern invasion and to stress their opposition to a truce. Rhee is expected to address a huge rally in the Capitol grounds.

It was disclosed today that Rhee's letter to General Clark last Saturday — before their personal interview — had threatened withdrawal of South Korean troops from the U.N. Command if an armistice is signed without his approval. No mention was made of any conditions under which an armistice would be acceptable to South Korea.

Rhee said that he did not consult General Clark before releasing the prisoners as this would have embarrassed the U.N. Command. His action "was the only way to avoid the danger of a clash between Koreans and the pro-Communists the U.N. want to bring in," he said, presumably referring to members of the neutral prisoner-of-war commission.

North Korean Pyongyang Radio today accused the U.S. of "insincerity" in handling the issue of the released prisoners. A broadcast said that General Clark's visit to Seoul this week had resulted in nothing satisfactory to the North Koreans and the Chinese. These are demanding that the U.N. Command round up all released prisoners and return them to prison camps. This had been promised, but the U.N. Command has claimed that the task is now impossible. *(Reuter, UP)*

French Fear War For Cambodian Freedom

SAIGON, Wednesday.—Worried French officials feared today that an "incident" might touch off a war against France in tension-gripped Cambodia. High officials left here for the tiny border village of Battambang to see King Norodom Sihanouk.

Official sources here indicated that there was every reason to believe that the youthful King was prepared to use force if necessary to press his demands for independence.

The King's Cabinet, sitting in the capital at Pnompenh, has sent a message expressing complete support for him.

Norodom declared yesterday that he would not return to Pnompenh until France gave his country independence. He said that his country is ready to "sacrifice its very existence" to shake off French control.

The King stated last night that Cambodia would remain within the French Union only if given the same independence that Pakistan enjoys within the British Commonwealth, and added that if France refused, Cambodia might resort to means other than peaceful to obtain it. *(Reuter, UP)*

Vietminh Saboteurs Wreck Train, Kill 35

SAIGON, Wednesday.—At least 35 persons, including six soldiers, are believed to have been killed near here when a train dropped 15 metres into a ravine after Vietminh rebels blew up a viaduct. Passengers are still trapped in the wreckage, and officials fear the death toll might reach 100.

An American military mission, headed by Lt. General John Daniel, arrived in Hanoi from Saigon today to examine the disposal by French forces of the $300m. worth of equipment the U.S. is giving annually to push the war against the Vietminh. The mission is to study how aid may be more effective and what is needed to step up action.

General Cogny, Commander of the French Union land forces in North Vietnam, has indicated that he would ask for more bombing planes. *(Reuter, UP)*

Rightist Support Sought By Laniel for French Gov't

PARIS, Wednesday (Reuter). — M. Joseph Laniel, 64, Moderate Conservative, today accepted the task of trying to form a French Government, a job which has proved beyond the ability of seven candidates so far.

M. Laniel told President Auriol that he would seek investiture from the National Assembly on Friday. He was expected to try to form a National Union Government.

When he left the President, he said that he had consulted the groups with a view to sounding out a majority to support him, and had received assurances from them.

M. Laniel was Minister of State in the Faure Cabinet at the beginning of 1952.

The President turned to him this morning after ex-Premier Antoine Pinay, also a Moderate Conservative, failed to secure the necessary right-wing backing. Observers today thought that Pinay was refused support on personal grounds.

Czech Envoy Leaves, May Not Return

LYDDA AIRPORT, Wednesday (ITIM). — M. Alois Bartusek, Czechoslovak Charge d'Affaires, flew to Prague this morning by Sabena.

He said that he was going on four weeks leave, but a press officer said later that M. Bartusek would not return to Israel. Asked whether a new representative would be appointed, M. Bartusek replied, "Perhaps."

Mr. Josef Panec, Attache, will be Acting Charge d'Affaires.

The Foreign Ministry has not been informed that M. Bartusek is not returning. No reason for his voyage was given when he applied for an exit visa.

RUSSIA TO ISSUE NATIONAL LOAN

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). —The Soviet Union's Council of Ministers today announced the issue of a new State loan of 15,000m. roubles free of tax for a period of 20 years, Moscow Radio stated.

The loan, issued to support the fifth five-year plan for economic development, will run from October 1 1953 to October 1, 1973.

It is divided into sections of 100m. roubles each with denominations of 500, 200, 100, 50, 25 and 10 roubles. Bond-holders will participate in a lottery.

In a broadcast today, Soviet Minister of Finance A.G. Everev said that the loan was half as big as last year's as "the income from Socialist industry this year, and the productivity of labour, are considerably higher."

NEW AEC CHAIRMAN

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Mr. Lewis L. Strauss, New York financier and Rear-Admiral in the U.S. Naval Reserve, has been chosen by President Eisenhower to be Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission in succession to Mr. Gordon Dean. His nomination will go to the Senate shortly.

The appointment is almost certain to pass swiftly through the Congress Atomic Energy Committee whose members credit him with bringing about the security system which enabled the U.S. to spot atomic test explosions in Russia.

Admiral Strauss was a member of the original AEC.

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Social & Personal

The Speaker of the Knesset and Mrs. Soviernak visited the Hebrew University on Tuesday, and were later entertained to luncheon at the home of the Vice-President, Prof. M. Evenari. President Masar and other members of the University were among the guests.

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Dr. Vera Weizmann flew to London yesterday by B.O.A.C. to visit her family and to campaign on behalf of the War of Liberation Invalids Fund. She was accompanied by Sgan-Aluf David Arnon, her Aide.

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Mr. Michael Avi-Yonah will lecture on archaeology during the 1953 summer session at Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate learning, Philadelphia.

Dr. J. L. Talmon, Lecturer in Modern History at the Hebrew University, has been awarded a travel grant under the U.S. Educational Exchange Programme. He will serve as a Visiting Lecturer at Columbia, Harvard, and New York Universities and at City College, New York in 1953/54.

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Dr. M. Stekelis, Lecturer in Prehistory at the Hebrew University, has been invited to serve on the Honorary Committee of the 14th Congress for Prehistory which will be held in Strasbourg, France, in July.

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Mr. Isaac Hamlin, of New York, General Secretary of the Histadrut Campaign in America and member of the Central Committee of the Labour Zionist Organization of America, arrived in Israel this week to confer with Histadrut leaders with regard to campaign activities on the American continent.

Basketball Team Thanks Bogdanov

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Israel's basketball team which played in the European championship in Moscow paid a courtesy call today upon M. Gueorgui K. Bogdanov, Minister of Bulgaria. His country is protecting Soviet Union interests in Israel.

The athletes expressed appreciation for the goodwill shown them in Russia and Bulgaria.

M. Bogdanov said he hoped that a Bulgarian football team would visit here shortly to continue athletic relations between the two countries.

Jerusalem Stone Over Koussevitzky Grave

The tombstone erected over the grave of the late Dr. Serge Koussevitzky was unveiled on Sunday morning in the presence of his widow and a large gathering.

According to the last wishes of the conductor, the stone came from Jerusalem and was sent to America by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. It bears an inscription from the members of the Orchestra.

OPIUM CONTROL PACT

WASHINGTON, Wednesday. — Israel was among the 34 nations which yesterday signed the U.N. opium conference protocol to control the world supply of opium.

The protocol marks the first international agreement to control the production and distribution of opium from which most narcotics are derived.

(INA, Reuter)

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3.30, 7 & 9 p.m.

ARNON: Girl of the Year.
EDEN: Dou Camille.
EDISON: The Seven Deadly Sins. (3.30, 7 & 9.15 p.m.)
OR-GIL: The Fabulous Dorseys.
ORION: Thunder on the Hill.
ORNA: The Caribou Trail.
STUDIO: Trio.
TEL-ON: Kansas Raiders.
ZION: Here Comes the Groom.

Language Academy Bill Tabled

Bills providing for the establishment of a Hebrew Language Academy; for change in the legal status of the Jewish National Fund, and for imposing excise duty on locally produced tyres were tabled in the Knesset earlier this week.

The function of the academy will be to "guide the development of the Hebrew language on the basis of research in its periods and branches" and to deal with matters of transcription. The Minister of Education is to implement the Bill. The findings of the academy will be used in all educational and scientific institutions and in all Government departments and by local governments.

The academy is to have not less than 18 members and not more than 23, three of whom may be foreigners. The first 15 members are to be chosen by a 17-man board to be composed of four representatives of the Government, eight of the Vaad Halashon, two of the Zionist Organization, two of the Hebrew University, and one of the Technion. The 15 members chosen will, in turn, elect those needed to make up a full staff of 23.

The Jewish National Fund, which was established in 1908 in London, is to become a local company and is to transfer most of its property to Israel.

A 25% excise tax is to be imposed on all tyres locally made and locally used, and is to be paid by the manufacturer. The Bill is aimed at regularizing the tax which was placed on locally produced tyres.

Ihud Insurance Agencies Registered as Joint Group

A few months ago, the Ihud Insurance Agencies Ltd. was registered as a joint insurance organization with a paid-up share capital of IL70,000 which was contributed equally by the two founders, the Palestine Economic Corporation — U.S.A. and the Palestine Corporation Ltd., representing British investors in Israel.

The two firms started negotiation 12 months ago in regard to pooling their insurance operations, since their banking activities have been jointly managed by the Union Bank of Israel Ltd.

The Ihud has taken over the insurance department and insurance interests of the Palestine Corporation and the Union Bank, including the 20-year-old agency of the Guardian Insurance Co. Ltd., of London and Liverpool, as well as the insurance business of the P.E.C. and its subsidiaries and affiliates.

The new firm also acts as agents of the Migdal Insurance Co. Ltd., and is connected with Lloyd's Underwriters and with the Reliance Marine Insurance Co. Ltd., of New York.

NEW DIAMOND COMPANY FORMED WITH P.E.C.

The Palestine Economic Corporation, U.S.A., and Mr. Jacques Torczyner, New York diamond merchant and Zionist leader, have formed the P.E.C. Diamond Corporation, Inc., it was announced recently at the P.E.C. offices in Tel Aviv.

The new corporation was established to increase the sales of Israel-cut diamonds overseas, particularly in the Western hemisphere, and to provide Israel diamond merchants with an opportunity to win better prices for their products.

The P.E.C. Diamond Corp. will also endeavour to serve the local diamond merchants by keeping them informed of American business conditions, both generally and in their own field.

THE MUNICIPAL Orchestra and Cultural Centre, which is to be built in Tel Aviv, will be named the Frederic Mann Hall for Mr. Frederic R. Mann, of Philadelphia. Mr. Mann contributed $150,000 to the Centre through the Norman Fund.

Egypt Defends Use Of German Experts

CAIRO, Wednesday. — Egyptian Minister of National Guidance Fuad Galal recently described as "extremely unfair and malicious" attacks directed against the "handful" of German military experts employed by Egypt's armed forces.

He told a press conference that those German military experts attached to the Egyptian Army had "no authority whatsoever, each working in a very limited field."

Galal said that to qualify them as Nazis was a "contradiction to the fact that they have no political or any other qualification." He added "they are just technicians employed by Egypt in the same way as Britain and the U.S. and other countries employed several thousand of them. We expect more unfair attacks on Egypt with regard to the use of German military experts, particularly when the subject is discussed in the British House of Commons. This is part of the 'cold war' against us."

Egypt is known to employ about 100 German military experts.

The Revolutionary Council has accepted the resignation of the Minister of Supply, Mohammed Sabry Manzour, and has merged his Ministry with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry under Dr. Hilmy Baghdat Badawi, it was officially announced last night.

It was understood that Manzour's resignation was connected with the recent supply crisis involving the shortage of some vegetables. The army had to intervene at the time and force traders to produce stock which they had held back for purposes of profiteering.

(Reuter, UP)

Kupat Am Bank Has 50% Rise in Turnover

The enlarged activities of Kupat Am Bank Ltd., Tel Aviv, in the last year are reflected in a 50 per cent rise in turnover, from IL.181m. in 1951 to IL.266m. in 1952. Loans granted to agricultural, commercial and industrial undertakings were IL1,917,000 in 1952 against IL1,803,000 in 1951.

The means for new loans were taken from new paid-up share capital, which amounts to IL.267,000 today, compared to IL.138,507 at the end of 1951. Deposits were IL4m. at the end of May, 1953, and IL3,678,000 in the 1951 accounts.

The net profit for the past year was IL.65,091 (in 1951, IL.44,108) to which the amount brought in must be added (IL.4,305). Shareholders of the Bank's Ordinary and Preference Shares (A & B) will receive a nine per cent dividend, less income tax, for 1952, and holders of Preference Shares "C" will get eight per cent, less tax, it was decided by the annual general meeting. Similar dividends were paid last year.

The chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. A Cahane, is at present touring Europe and America to extend the Bank's foreign business.

J'LEM BUILDER INVENTS NEW CONCRETE BLOCK

A new building process invented by Mr. S. Diskin, head of a Jerusalem contracting firm, reportedly has aroused much interest among engineers and architects in England. Mr. Diskin told *The POST* that he has improved the usual concrete block to prevent dampness from penetrating the wall. Each block is laid on the slant, and much smaller surfaces require cementing together than in the usual block. A patent has been requested, Mr. Diskin said.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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REVIEW OF YESTERDAY'S PRESS

New Education Bill Will Take Politics Out of Schooling

Education in this country has been too much politicized, says "Omer" (Histadrut) in its editorial, and the new State Education Law will put an end to this undesirable state of affairs, and weaken the hold of the political parties over the educational system. The paper does not agree with the views voiced by Mapam that this will result in the destruction of the achievements of the workers' trend in education: on the contrary, these achievements will in future become common property and will not be restricted to one trend.

"Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) on the other hand argues that the religious trend within the general unified education network will be gradually made to disappear, as suggested by Mr. Harari in the recent Knesset debate. This is the reason for Aguda opposition to state education. The paper also quotes approvingly the speeches of the Mapam representatives, stating that though these people are atheists they have much experience especially in "non-monolithic" settlements, where they faced enormous difficulties in educating the children of parents of different political conviction.

Better for Teachers

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) says that the unification of education is not tantamount to standardization and stagnation; on the contrary, the danger of isolation was much more formidable when education was based on partisan principles. Teachers will be freer than before and so it should be easier for them to carry out distinctive reforms and improvements; the new law might justly be called "The Law of the Liberation of Teacher."

"Haboker" (General Zionist) comments on the security situation since the new U.N. chief, General Bennicke, has taken over from General Riley. The paper says that the old system of denunciations of acts of violence by the Armistice Commissions, and even threatening declarations has proved inefficient. New security areas should be established under the direct supervision of the Security Council. The old routine which caused so much suffering should be discontinued, and the paper welcomes the fact that new moves have been made to strengthen the defence of border settlements.

"Herut," on the other hand, sharply criticizes the new defence system in the border regions, alleging that it is a return to the 1937 routine and what is needed is another Wingate to demonstrate that attack is the best and most efficient form of defence. The border settlements should not become links in a chain of barbed wire entanglements and watch-towers as in the riots of the 'thirties, but "strongpoints for the liberating attack which will put an end to bloodshed and the violation of our national honour which goes on daily and hourly."

Less Than Planned

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) and "Hatzofe" (Mizrahi World Union) deal with economic topics. The former says that the Histadrut is united in its wish to direct a much larger section of workers to the countryside but achievements to date have been considerably smaller than planned. One of the reasons is the fact that the way for the absorption of the new settlers has not been properly paved. The paper also accuses Mapai of not doing enough to combat the efforts of the capitalists to lower working class living standard.

"Hatzofe" notes that unemployment has steadily decreased during the last three months, but says that this has not come about "organically," but rather as the result of artificial measures. Production has yet to be increased, and this indeed is the main aim of the Compulsory Loan to be collected soon.

"Davar" (Histadrut) attacks "Al Hamishmar," which had charged it with "justifying the execution of the Rosenbergs." It says that every reader of "Davar" knows that the paper appealed for mercy for the Rosenbergs, while "Al Hamishmar" which is now emphasizing the "specific Jewish angle" had never dared to protest against the execution of many thousands in the East or against the anti-Semitic Prague Trial, nor even the fate of their own comrade Mordechai Oren.

New TCA Advisers In Agriculture Arrive

TEL AVIV, Wednesday (USIS)—Three new members of the staff of Mr. Bruce McDaniel, director of the United States Technical Cooperation Administration, recently arrived here.

Ralph S. Besse of Corvallis, Oregon, will consult with the Ministry of Agriculture and experimental stations on the organization and coordination of agricultural research. He has been in charge of agricultural research in the State of Oregon. While here he will also be Acting Chief, Agriculture Division, US-TCA.

Thomas C. Letts of Huntsville, Texas, will advise the Ministry of Agriculture on vocational education. He has previously been with the United States Department of Agriculture, and was professor of vocational training in agriculture at the Sam Houston University in Texas.

EIN GEV MAN SHOT BY GUARD

TIBERIAS, Wednesday. — Naphtali Oppenheimer, 32, of Ein Gev, was instantly killed when a kibbutz watchman opened fire on him at the settlement before dawn on Sunday.

Oppenheimer was making the rounds, inspecting the guards. Oppenheimer, who leaves a wife and two daughters, was buried on Sunday night.

Indian Communists Stone U.S. Embassy

MADRAS, Wednesday (Reuter). —Police early yesterday morning raided Communist Party offices in various parts of Madras and arrested 12 people said to be Communist Party workers.

The arrests followed violent demonstrations made by a crowd outside the U.S. Consulate late last night. The demonstrators, including many women, waved Communist flags, stoned the Embassy and shouted anti-American slogans "to express resentment against the execution in Sing Sing last Friday of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, the American atom spies."

THE TEL AVIV ZOO has announced three competitions open to local elementary school children: a story about the zoo, a drawing or painting of animals in the gardens, and a name for a bear born in the zoo.

Australian Tennis Players Starring at Wimbledon

LONDON, Wednesday (AP) — Ken Rosewall and Lewis Hoad, juvenile Australians, who are surefire greats in the making, faced older stars safely through the first round of the famous Wimbledon championships on Monday with hardly a mis-step in the bunch. The one-two—three punch of America at the 67th Wimbledon — Vic Seixas, of Philadelphia, Gardnar Mulloy, 39 years old Miami Beach, Fla, lawyer, and Art Larsen, lean lefthanded from San Leandro, Calif., won with practically no difficulty.

One of the few shocks of the day came appropriately on Wimbledon's glamorous centre court. Little known and lightly considered Hugh Stewart, of Los Angeles, knocked hometown favourite, Tony Mottram of London, England's No. 1, reeling, 6/4, 3/6, 4/6, 6/3, 6/4. Slightly less of an upset was Sikorski's victory over Fausto Gardini, 7/5, 6/3, 6/4. Sikorski, 19, is on his first trip outside Hungary. Gardini, before yesterday's untimely defeat, rated in the top three of Europe's single players.

In convincing fashion first seeded 18-year-old Rosewall whipped Michael Davies, of Wales, 6/2, 6/4, 6/2, while 18-year-old Hoad seeded sixth, downed Bill Seymour, of South Africa, 6/4, 6/2, 7/5. Seixas seeded second, defeated Britain's 18-year-old Robert Lee, 6/3, 6/0, 6/1, while seventh seeded Larsen won from Hungary's Antel Jansco, 6/1, 6/4, 8/6, and fifth seeded Mulloy won an all-American match from Baltimore's Malcolm Fox, 6/4, 11/9, 6/2.

Among other seeded winners were: Australia's Mervyn Rose, third seeded, who beat Kirhshan 8/6, 6/4, 4/6, 8/1; fourth seeded Jaroslav Drobny (Egypt, the self-exiled Czech) won from Bernard Destreman, France, 6/0, 6/1, 6/2; and Enrique Morea, eighth seeded from Argentina, defeated Ian McDonald, Trinidad, 6/4, 8/6, 6/0.

FENERBACHE DATE STILL AWAITED

Subject to permission from the Turkish Football Association, the Fenerbache soccer club may still come this Summer, according to an Israel Football Association spokesman who returned from Turkey last Friday. Current arrangements call for the arrival of the Turkish team here on July 3, but if the Turkish F.A. do not consent to this, it has been proposed that the tour be held in September.

Rehovot Maccabi Bezalel Win Hand ball Event

Rehovot Maccabi Bezalel beat all other teams to win the handball cup in memory of Arie Gissen, a member of Rishon le Zion Maccabi who fell in the War of Independence, at Rishon last Saturday. Five teams took part.

Results: Rehovot Maccabi Bezalel beat Haifa Amal, 12-0, Tel Aviv Amal, 7-2, Rishon Maccabi "B", 16-2, Rishon Maccabi "A" 9-7. Rishon Maccabi "A" beat Haifa Amal, 8-2, Rehovot Maccabi "B", 9-1. Tel Aviv Amal beat Rishon Maccabi "A", 5-4, Rehovot Maccabi "B", 4-1 Haifa Amal beat Tel Aviv Amal, 6-5, Rehovot Maccabi "B" beat Haifa Amal, 4-3.

In an Israel Basketball League game last Saturday, Jaffa Maccabi gained a 2-0 walkover win over Jerusalem Hapoel, who did not turn up. Other results were given Sunday.

Gadna Beat All Comers

Tel Aviv Gadna beat all comers to win the cup in memory of A. Barazovski and E. Schneider last Saturday in a soccer trophy competed for between 19 youth teams on the Jaffa Hapoel and Tel Aviv Hashahar grounds. The Gadna side defeated Tel Aviv Maccabi Haim, 2-1, after being 0-1 behind at half-time, in the final.

In an Israel Football Association League "B" game the same day Herzlia Hapoel defeated Ra'anana Hapoel by four goals to one, after leading 4-0 at the interval. (Other results given Sunday).

Where to go

JERUSALEM

9-1: 4-6: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
9-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
9-1; 3-6: Exhibition: "One Nation Out of Many Peoples." Drawings of Anna Ticho. "Portuguese Synagogue in Amsterdam." Emanuel de Witte (1618-1692). Bezalel.
10-1; 4-7: Moshe Tamir exhibition: paintings, drawings, frescoes; Artists' House, Jerusalem.
11.30-12.30: Film Show at Keren Hayesod.
8.30 p.m.: Illustrated recorded lecture by Dr. Lisetta Levy: 'Picasso and Stravinsky." Y.M.C.A. Auditorium.

TEL AVIV

10-1; 4-7: Exhibitions: Applied Art in Israel; Arts & Crafts of the Far East; Paintings by Yeheskiel Streichman; Sculptures by Rudolf Lachman. Museum.
11-1; 4-7: Exhibition of 9 Israeli Artists, Art Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi.
8.30 p.m.: "Saint Joan," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi.

HAIFA

10-1; 4-9: Jewish Antiquities, Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine, Arabic Art. Municipal Museum, Town Hall.
7 p.m.: Exhibition of aquarelles by Millia Laufer; Artists' Home, 32 Uno Ave. (opp. Carmelia Court).
7 & 9.15 p.m.: "Gaslight." Chamber Theatre, Orah Hall.

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FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.15 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 1.15 & 6.30 p.m.
6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.
12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 13.30 Housewives' Corner. 13.50 Requests (R). 1.45 Break for Music. 3.00 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. Mif'al Ha'payis Draw. 4.15 "This and That" (R). 4.30 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 4.50 Light Music (T.A.). 5.00 Musical Miniatures. 5.15 Mif'al Ha'payis Draw. 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Concert Hall: Quintet for Wind Instruments (Mortensen); String Sextet (Brahms). 8.00 Press Conference. 8.24 Bible Reading. 8.45 "The Knesset and its Committees." 9.00 Clarinet Recital: Reginald Kell (R). 9.15 Chamber Music. 9.45 Variety (R). 10.15 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra. Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger, Narrator: Efraim Dishav: The Pied Piper from Hamelin (Frans Casiitzer). 10.45 "Night Music" (R). 11.00 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

460, 236, 48.9 M.
English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.
4.00 p.m. Opera. 8.00 Programme for Yemenites. 8.30 Mishna Lesson. 8.50 Piano Recital. 9.55 Talk. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (39.5, 48.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.20 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.50 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (39.5 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 In the Country. 11.35 Musical Greetings.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 226 & 239 M.): 4.30 Opening. 6.35 Classical Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 "Discoveries and Inventions." 7.50 Intermezzo. 8.00 Press Conference. 8.30 News. 8.35 Ballet Music. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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Beersheba	41	18	32	32
Eilat	36	34	35	37

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CURRENCY IN CIRCULATION increased by IL.307,000 in the past week, and reached IL.129,984,000 yesterday, according to the weekly report of the Issue Department of the Bank Leumi.

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410 TONS OF frozen meat from Argentina arrived yesterday in Haifa Port.

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26 TONS OF GARLIC were exported to Italy in the s.s. Messapia from Haifa Port on Tuesday. Other exports were 150 tons of plywood and 30 tons of citrus extracts to England.

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114 RESIDENTS left the country in the s.s. Jerusalem from Haifa Port on Sunday to take up residence overseas. The largest group, totalling 80 persons, left for Canada.

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FOR BUYING and slaughtering a cow illegally in April, 1952, Gedaliahu Fleishman, of Ramat Rishai, in the Emek, yesterday was fined IL.700 with the alternative of four months in prison, by Haifa District Court Judge Eugenia Vinegradov. Shlomo Kremer, of Affula, who sold the cow without a permit, was fined IL.300 with the alternative of a one month prison sentence.

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A THREE-WEEK advanced nature course for elementary school teachers will open in Tel Aviv on July 21, under the auspices of the Ministry of Education and the Teachers' Union. Registration is at Bet Hamoreh, Tel Aviv.

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EXAMINATIONS FOR secondary school scholarships for graduating pupils of Arab elementary schools are being conducted today in Nazareth, Haifa and Baka-al-Garbia. About 200 pupils, who constitute one-fourth of the graduates of Arab schools, are being examined.

Plastics Plant Gets Under Way

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — The start of production of essential plastic raw materials by the Serafon Resinous Chemicals Corporation was announced today by its manager, Dr. Robert Nussbaum.

In the new polymerization plant Serafon has started manufacturing polysterene-serafon, a thermoplastic moulding powder, which makes the local injection moulding industry independent of foreign raw materials, Dr. Nussbaum said.

By the production of polysterene for local consumption only, the new venture will save approximately 40 per cent of the foreign currency required for the import of this material. The saving is estimated to be approximately $100,000 annually at current market prices.

It is, however, expected that in addition to this saving, foreign currency actually will be earned by export.

Up to Standards

Production capacity of the plant is 800 tons and more of polysterene moulding powder, while Israel's annual requirements are estimated to be 300 tons.

Dr. Nussbaum declared that the quality of "polysterene-serafon" is up to international standards, according to a U.N. expert who studied the plant's operations and tested the material.

That the plant will keep pace with new developments in the plastic field throughout the world is assured by an agreement reached with leading American manufacturers for a continuous exchange of information on manufacturing techniques.

In this plant, Serafon will produce acrylics and polyvinyl acetate products, which are used in the paint, textile, building material and other industries.

Soil Conditioner

Furthermore, Dr. Nussbaum revealed, the Company has completed the preparatory work for the production of agrilon, a soil conditioner. This product, recently developed in America, will help to increase the yield of otherwise unpromising soils.

The only plant of its kind in the Middle East, Serafon represents an investment of over $700,000.

Together with the American Biltrite Rubber Company of Chelsea, Massachusetts, and the Palestine Economic Corporation, Serafon is now erecting a factory to manufacture two to three million pairs of nuclear synthetic shoe soles and heels per year. The first products from this new plant, which has been named Sulfatan Ltd., are expected by September of this year.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Poultry for children: 250 grams, Vav 4, temp. 49. Fillet instead of sausage for labourers: 800 grams, coupons 19, 20.

TEL AVIV: Poultry for children: 250 grams, Vav 14; for invalids: 500 grams, Het Aleph 3, Het Bet 12. Carp: 250 grams, Heh 34, temp. 26. Frozen fillet: 156 grams, coupons 509, 510, 527, 528, temp. 31. Fillet for labourers: 800 grams, coupons 19, 20.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs: 2, Het 44, temp 10; for expectant mothers, 6, coupon 4; on Het Aleph 3 cards, 4; on Het Bet 12 cards, 2; on Het Gimel 24 cards, 8; for vegetarians, 5, Daled 48. Poultry for children: 250 grams, Vav 24, temp. 51. Carp: 250 grams, Heh 25, temp. 41. Bananas: 250 grams, coupon 36

Tel Aviv Council To Review Business Tax

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A municipal committee will re-examine the current city business tax in response to objections by businessmen's associations that the tax was too stiff, it was decided tonight by the Municipal Council.

The business taxes of the last fiscal year would not be reviewed, the decision stipulated, as had been demanded by the Herut faction.

The latter angrily announced that they would not participate in the Municipal Committee, claiming that the revision of last year's rates had been a promise. Mayor Levanon denied the claim.

The Council approved the invitation of experts to examine the municipal administration and present the Council with a report on its merits. The Labour Bloc objected to this, claiming that any revision of administration meant dismissal of workers.

When Councillors D. Cholodniewich (Leahdut Avoda) and A. Kamini (Histadrut) objected to pupils being sent home if their parents did not pay the education bond, the Mayor announced that such action was improper and explicitly forbidden.

The Council approved the proposal to demolish the Bet Ha'am, the 28-year-old hall used as a cinema, the seat of the Matate Theatre and as a public meeting place. The Mayor said that the hall was below reasonable sanitary standards and both the health authorities and the police demanded changes. The hall, property of the Municipality, will be turned over to private persons on lease for rebuilding.

Haifa Labour Helping Jobless Brothers

HAIFA, Wednesday. — A campaign will soon be launched to raise IL.30,000 from among Histadrut members here to bring urgently needed relief to 1,000 breadwinners, hit by the prolonged unemployment, the Labour Council decided here last night at a plenary session.

Hardship cases call for immediate action beyond the launching of job-providing projects.

Labour Council Secretary Y. Almogi proposed that children of kindergarten age among families of the unemployed be cared for in nurseries of the Working Mothers' Organisation; that Tnuva distribute free surplus food to needy families in ma'barot and workers' districts; and that free bread be provided for the unemployed.

In a few days 28 families would settle on the land, he said.

Court Hears Both Sides in Land Case

The hearing of the land dispute between Kibbutz Nveh Ilan and the Arab village of Abu Ghosh was heard before the District Court yesterday.

Mr. S. Lipshitz, representing Kibbutz Nveh Ilan, stressed three points:

1) that the original Arab owners were officially declared to have abandoned the land;
2) that the Custodian of Abandoned Property recognized Kibbutz Nveh Ilan as the lawful possessor;
3) that the Kibbutz had been in lawful possession of the land since the establishment of the State.

He described the legal action taken by the Arabs of Abu Ghosh as a plot to dispossess the Kibbutz, and pointed out that it would suffer a loss of IL.5,000 unless it could immediately begin picking the fruit.

Mr. S. Tamir, representing the four Arabs who had abandoned the land in 1948 and the mukhtar of Abu Ghosh, produced evidence to show that in the current year the Kibbutz failed to obtain a lease from the Custodian of Abandoned Property and argued that his clients were the land's lawful owners.

The loyalty of the Arab petitioners to the State of Israel and the help they had rendered the Jewish underground movement during the British Mandate were also cited during the hearing.

The Court informed both sides that it would welcome a peaceful settlement and that in the meantime the *status quo* would be maintained. The hearing will be continued tomorrow. *(Itim)*

Two Terror Detainees Being Held Longer

The detention of Ya'acov Blumenthal and Ezekiel Mizrahi was yesterday extended for 10 days by the Army Prosecutor, Sgan-Aluf Moshe David at the request of the police. Blumenthal and Mizrahi are charged with being members of an illegal organisation and with illegal possession of arms.

Blumenthal, detained in Ramla, and Mizrahi in Jerusalem, both complained bitterly of the conditions in their cells.

Mizrahi said that he suffered from lack of air and exercise, that he could not sleep at night as an insane man was in the next cell; and that his family was not allowed to visit him.

The Army Prosecutor asked the police to improve the conditions in which the two were kept. Blumenthal and Mizrahi, it is learned, will be brought to trial next week before a civil court. *(Itim)*

Volunteers Seek IL.90,000 To Aid M.D.A. in Capital

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The Jerusalem public is rallying to the campaign launched last week by a committee of citizens pledged to rescue the local Magen David Adom, closed for over a month for lack of funds. Mr. Joseph Sugarman, heading a group of 25 manufacturers, doctors and bankers, said at a press conference yesterday.

Private contributions so far amounted to IL.3,500, and the committee hoped to cover the expenses of maintaining the M.D.A. station for one year — IL.90,000 — by donations from merchants and manufacturers in the city.

Mr. Sugarman stressed that central and local authorities would have to provide a permanent budget after the committee campaign had ended the present "appalling situation."

Members of the M.D.A. management explained that the extent of ambulance and first aid service would in future be limited rigidly by income. If necessary, the minimum service of three ambulances by day and two by night would have to be curtailed, and the Corridor deprived of assistance.

The team itself was very anxious to re-open the station, and during negotiations with the Histadrut had suggested payment of wages by the 15th of each month. But such an expedient, especially in view of a IL.30,000 debt owed to M.D.A. staff, would not correct the chronic deficit of IL.2,000 monthly.

The Citizens' Committee next week will discuss with the Government and the Jewish Agency methods to balance the M.D.A. budget.

All the 16 branches of the Magen David Adom in the country struck for two hours this afternoon in sympathy with the action of the Jerusalem branch.

The Magen David Adom's office in Tel Aviv announced that it would now wait before taking further action, hoping that a settlement would be reached.

200 Shimshon Men Out on Strike

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The 200 labourers employed on the construction of the Shimshon Cement works near Hartuv staged an informal strike yesterday against nonpayment of seven weeks' back wages.

The Histadrut in Jerusalem has authorized the strike to begin at noon today on condition that work be continued on the generators supplying current to the Capital.

Various parts of Jerusalem suffered power cuts yesterday.

The Shimshon management had no comment to make last night on this latest in a series of strikes at the partially completed plant.

Generators Stoppage

Although the Municipal Water Department yesterday asked Jerusalem residents to reduce their consumption of water due to electricity cuts affecting the pumping-stations, Municipal spokesmen denied that the drop in current was caused by a stoppage at the Shimshon plant.

A Department spokesman suggested that the Palestine Electric Corporation was curtailing electricity supplied to the Mekorot Water Company because of the latter's debt to P.E.C. Jerusalem receives its water supply from Mekorot, and is thus indirectly affected by relations between P.E.C. and Mekorot.

Haifa Hospital Staff May Strike Today

HAIFA, Wednesday — The staff of the Rambam Hospital is to strike at 11 a.m. tomorrow if Government instructions to withdraw their free transportation to and from work are implemented. The Finance and Health Ministries have asked for payment of IL.1 a month each for this service.

The Civil Servants Association's National Centre in Jerusalem has endorsed the strike, but the Haifa branch objects and is supported by the Haifa Labour Council. The National Centre has no right to agree to this measure, it is argued here.

Free transportation has ensured punctuality in staff attendance, and to dispense with it would be costlier than the present outlay, one doctor commented.

Promise of Help Ends Strike of Blind

TEL AVIV, Wednesday (ITIM). — Eighty blind and partially blind men and women ended their strike outside Malben headquarters in Kikar Masaryk this afternoon after spending the night out of doors.

This morning they brought out slogans reading, "The Blind Live in Paper Houses." Later in the day Malben promised to take action on their demands.

The strikers, representing 58 families of Kfar Uriel, near Gedera, appealed for safer housing and a C.-a.-L. allowance which "normal" workers receive. They are occupied in workshops which Malben has erected after training them for various professions.

They were taken back to their village in buses.

Jerusalem Still Owes IL. 60,000 in Wages

Jerusalem POST Reporter

About IL.100,000 owing to Jerusalem city employees from the May wage-bill have been paid out, with another IL.60,000 still to come, Mayor Kariv reported at last night's Municipal Council meeting. According to the agreement which ended last week's strike, all May wages must be paid by tomorrow. The Mayor said that not all the water rates had yet been collected, and house rate collection was not yielding sufficient funds. He hoped that methods of collecting rates would be regularized by next month.

Some 30 workers temporarily employed by the Municipality demonstrated outside the Town Council building yesterday, demanding April wages. The Mayor received a delegation, but made no commitment.

Arbitrator Chosen

After a heated argument between opposition and coalition councillors, Dr. Y. Lipkin, Chairman of the Jerusalem branch of the General Zionist Party, was elected by a vote of the coalition to serve as arbitrator on the question of dismissals from the Municipal staff. The other arbitrator is a representative of the Histadrut, Mr. A. Grossman.

Mr I. Rokach, Minister of Interior, yesterday called on Jerusalemites to pay back rates and even to make a special effort to pay in advance.

The Government and the Ministry were taking every possible step to help the Municipality overcome its financial difficulties, he said, but first and most residents of Jerusalem must work together in overcoming the crisis.

JORDAN ANGERED BY PILGRIMS' PRAYER

A note expressing the hope that Israel will re-occupy the Temple area and other Holy Places was slipped between the stones of the Western Wall on Monday by a couple who are members of the party of Dutch Reformed Church ministers from South Africa, "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, claimed yesterday.

According to the report, the couple remained behind after the rest of the group left the Wall, and police noticed that they wrote something on a slip of paper and pushed it between the huge stones. Police removed the slip, which allegedly read: "I pray to God to make Israel victorious and to occupy the Temple of Solomon and the Holy Places."

As a result of the intervention of the British Consul, the pilgrims were not detained, but were asked by police to confine themselves to their hotel until the party was to leave on Tuesday morning. (The entire party was forced to return to Israel via Cyprus, since Jordan did not permit re-entry at Mandelbaum Gate.)

Jordan tourist companies which deal with pilgrims' groups should check their identity carefully before they are admitted to Jordan, to prevent Jewish espionage, the newspaper urges.

Marauders Beaten Off At Two Settlements

Infiltrators who tried to break into settlements on Friday and Saturday night were fired upon and forced to flee to the armistice lines, the Army spokesman announced yesterday.

The first incident occured in Samaria and the second in the coastal plain.

KILLED BY MINE

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — Arieh Goldstein, 23, a member of a kibbutz in the south, was killed today while handling a mine. He leaves a wife and a child.

Only One Deep-Water Port Needed On Coast, French Expert Says

Jerusalem POST Reporter

The development of Haifa and Kishon Ports must be given priority over other harbour development projects, M.P. Callet, Director of Le Havre Port, told the press in Jerusalem yesterday.

M. Callet, who is to leave shortly, has spent the last fortnight here advising the Ministry of Communications on such problems.

The French expert was adamant against developing a deep-water port in the south. He believed that Israel's economy could not afford such construction only 150 kilometres from Haifa.

To export potash and other Negev minerals, a special harbour should be built in the south, but with equipment to load commodities into ships anchored a short distance off shore.

The Tel Aviv and Jaffa Ports were really one unit and should be managed jointly, he said. Building a deep-water port in Tel Aviv was a risky affair, and it might be better to expand the harbour at Haifa if more facilities are needed.

The present length of the quays in Haifa Port are insufficient, but extending them to the west and completing Kishon Port would solve this problem temporarily.

Further expansion would be needed to cope with augmented port traffic in the future. Under present conditions, he stated, unloading can be efficient only if handled by one company.

With an enlarged harbour, however, it might be useful to build and lease quays to each major shipping company who would then handle the unloading of their own ships. M. Callet suggested providing special courses for workers to increase their efficiency.

Excellent conditions exist for building a deep-water harbour in Eilat, M. Callet said. He had studied and approved existing plans, but had noted that the problem was not only technical but also economic.

It must be studied in connection with plans to develop the Negev and with prospects of Far East and East Africa trade.

Mr. H. Razily, Director-General of the Ministry, presented M. Callet with an album of pictures as a sign of the Ministry's appreciation.

Needy Youngsters Offered Scholarship

A IL.5,000 scholarship fund for exceptional youths who cannot continue their education and who use their "abilities to undesirable ends" has been established at Ellern's Bank by Mr. Shmuel M. Levi, of Tel Aviv.

Students will be granted IL.200 a year which they must agree to repay at four per cent interest after they finish their studies and are in a position to do so. In this way, the fund will not only be self-perpetuating, but will grow to meet the needs of more students.

Candidates should write to Mr. Levi, Box 1918, Tel Aviv.

'Israel's Children Most Polite'

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — "I have never found more delightful and more polite children than in Israel — and I could even make a point of it," declared Mr. Henry Koller who has been promoting a series of dramatic activities for the benefit of school children and teachers in this country. He is to leave for Europe tomorrow after having spent four months in Israel. His visit was sponsored by the United States Information Service.

Mr. Koller asserted that, theatrically, the talents among the children of Israel are the same as those of children all over the world, with fun and excitement as the stimulants most in demand. Morally, however, and as far as character is concerned, the Israel child appears much more self-assured, more independent and more free in spirit than, for instance, the children in Europe who occasionally are afraid of adults or even hate them.

Differences in Upbringing

The reason may be found in the differences in upbringing and according to Mr. Koller, it was striking to find parents and teachers much less self-assured than the children — a fact which he considers the main cause for the many quarrels and difficulties between parents and children here. The Israel child is more closely aligned with the American child than the European youngster. The adults in Israel, who Mr. Koller found less polite than their children, therefore should be more concerned about themselves than about their offspring, he said.

During his activities in Israel, Mr. Koller — an educator of the more humorous kind — led a workshop production of the play "Comics for Carter" for the Tel Aviv Municipality, and gave the inaugural lecture at a newly formed teachers' seminar on the use of dramatics in schools. He proposed to the Ministry of Education the introduction of "dramatic workshop" in all schools throughout the country.

Syrian Statesmen Hit 'Army Constitution'

Taking advantage of the temporary lifting of press censorship in Syria, almost all prominent leaders of political parties banned by Colonel Shishakly after his November 1951 coup d'etat, have signed a public letter protesting against the undemocratic manner in which the Shishakly Constitution was prepared.

They complained that the document which he had published over the weekend "for public debate" was drafted by the Army instead of by an elected popular assembly.

Among the signatories were former President Hashem el Atassi, Rushdi el Kikya, President of the Parliament which was dissolved by Shishakly, Jebel Druze leader Sultan Pasha el Atrash as well as the three political leaders who fled Syria last January and were expelled on Monday from the Lebanon, where they had obtained refuge.

In Jordan and the Lebanon yesterday, rallies took place to protest against the Lebanese Government action in deporting the three refugees to Switzerland. Jordan political leaders sent a note to Lebanese President Chamoun saying that his Government's move was a flagrant violation of Arab hospitality and traditional shelter to political refugees."

St. John's Feast At Ein Karem

Father Faccio, the Custos of the Holy Land and Guardian of Mt. Zion, led yesterday's solemn procession to the Convent Church of Ein Karem, containing the grotto where, according to a very old tradition, St. John the Baptist was born.

Church banners were carried in a colourful procession of monks, nuns, and orphans, and many inmates of the children's village followed it to the portal of the candle-lit church, where a solemn Mass was celebrated.

The Feast of St. John on June 24 in early Christian days took the place of the celebration of the summer solstice. The bonfires lit on its eve, over which the young people jump, as an ancient fertility rite, were also lit by fellahin until 1948.

St. John the Baptist, the furclad cave-dweller, is the heir to the veneration of various nature-gods in the folklore of many peoples. It is even possible that the remains of pre-Christian sanctuaries, found at Ein Karem, were connected with the cult of Pan or the "god of the hallowed spring."

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Bolivia Scotches 'Tin' Revolution

LA PAZ, Wednesday (UP). — The Bolivian Government said yesterday that an abortive revolutionary plot last week-end was intended to prevent the conclusion of a long-term tin sales agreement with the U.N. and enforcement of land reform programme scheduled to start on August 2.

The Ministry of Interior said that the plot had "vast internal and international scope," and that several Army and police officers and men had been arrested in connection with the conspiracy.

The arrest of Colonel Rafael Loaiza rtd., led to discovery of the plot and seizure of a quantity of arms different from those used by the Bolivian Army, the Ministry stated. La Paz Police Chief, Lt. Colonel Fidel Rojas, described as one of the main leaders of the plot, was held *incommunicado*.

Calcutta Welcome For Everest Hero

CALCUTTA, Wednesday (Reuter) — Ten thousand persons cheered a welcome as the Everest hero Tensing Bhutia arrived here from Kathmandu this morning.

Tensing and his wife and two daughters flew direct from the Nepalese capital in the Nepal King's special plane. They are guests of the Governor of Bengal.

Colonel Sir John Hunt, Sir Edmund Hillary and other members of the Expedition are expected to arrive here later in the day.

EDEN, — British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden is expected to be able to leave the New England Baptist Hospital next week. Mr. Eden is recovering from a gall bladder operation on June 10.

Cables in Brief

BRIBE. — Former Press Counsellor to ex-King Farouk, Karim Thabet, was found guilty by a Cairo "Anti-Graft Court" yesterday of accepting a bribe. He was deprived of political and other rights for ten years and ordered to refund the amount of the bribe, which was of EL.5,000.

CHILE. — The Chilean Socialists, fourth largest Party in parliament and one of the main supporters of President Carlos Ibanez during his election campaign, are returning the Ibanez Government because the President is prepared to lift his ban on the Communist Party.

NICKEL. — Discovery of rich nickel deposits is reported from Lynx Lake, Ontario. The solid pentlandite nickel-bearing ore is thought to be able to yield ten per cent pure nickel. One per cent is generally considered "good." Initial drillings also showed commercial quantities of platinum, palladium and chrome.

RUSSIA SNUBS U. N. FOR SLANDER

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (UP). — The U.N. Committee on Forced Labour reported today that it had received the following communication from Russia:

"The delegation of the USSR to the U.N. presents its compliments to the U.N. Secretariat and herewith returns, unexamined, the documents attached to the Secretariat's letter of November 22, 1952, since these documents contain slanderous fabrications concerning the Soviet Union."

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If the above meeting cannot be held owing to lack of the legally required quorum, a second meeting will be held on July 5, 1953, at the same place and at the same time. This second meeting will have legal power regardless of the number of members present.
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THE meeting between representatives of industry in Jerusalem yesterday and the Prime Minister is more than timely. The difficulties in the way of industry in the capital are far from being overcome in spite of the various bodies charged specifically with the development of the capital. That the problem has special characteristics not to be found in the other large cities of Israel, needs no stressing. Tel Aviv has its natural hinterland for its local industries with rapid and reasonably convenient communications and the greatest concentration of Israel's population living in the immediate or close vicinity to provide ready markets for its goods. Haifa enjoys lesser but nevertheless similar advantages. These are denied to Jerusalem. It is joined to the rest of the country by the corridor which is in the main populated by new settlers with a low standard of wants and practically no surplus purchasing power. Moreover, the capital itself has, among its gainfully employed population a very large proportion who have little surplus for the purchase of more than essential goods and this is not without its effect on the city's trade.

INDUSTRY FOR JERUSALEM

To this must be added the transport problem of Jerusalem. The capital is connected to the rest of Israel by one main road which, with its difficult gradients, is hardly suited to carry a great volume of commercial traffic. Transport rates are cripplingly high for Israel as a whole. They are even higher for Jerusalem. The railway is not being used to carry a large volume of freight traffic. This is a bottleneck which will have to be tacked vigorously and boldly if there is to be any basic improvement in Jerusalem's economic position.

The reduction of road charges on industrial raw materials travelling to Jerusalem and finished goods leaving the city is a complicated process. The ideal solution would, of course, be some form of subsidized national transport, but this would entail a large outlay of foreign currency and would impinge upon the business of both co-operative and private transport companies. One method of approach might be the lowering of licence fees on trucks engaged exclusively on the Jerusalem run together with a reduction in the tax on the gasoline they purchase. A precedent exists in the special reduction enjoyed for many years by all types of commercial vehicles in Britain. The reduction of railway charges for goods carried from the capital and industrial raw materials routed to it is more of an administrative measure which could be carried out almost at once.

Other measures which will have to be considered must be the provision of credits for approved industrial undertakings in the capital, some priority in the supply of raw materials and a special housing programme to bring workers to their places of work. This also implies improved passenger transport facilities inside the capital itself. A *sine qua non* must also be the immediate linking up of Jerusalem with the nation-wide network of the Palestine Electric Corporation so that an ample, reasonably priced and stable supply of electricity can be assured.

There finally remains one fundamental problem. That is the nature of the employable population of Jerusalem. There is a very large proportion of unskilled and untrained labour in the capital. This seems to call for a Government scheme of vocational training for adults as well as children, to be coordinated within the framework of an overall industrial and economic plan for Jerusalem itself.

It is only by carefully designed measures such as these that the problem of Jerusalem's economic future can be solved. It is hardly necessary to point out that the economic stabilization of Jerusalem is also a political necessity of the first magnitude. Talk of the importance of Jerusalem hardly goes well with the picture of a capital city patently neglected, forsaken and mismanaged. An increase of industrial wealth in the city will provide the means whereby good municipal services and decent civic amenities may become the commonplace rather than the far-off longing of the denizens of Israel's capital.

5,700 Arabs Join Labour Federation

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — In the two weeks since the doors of the Trade Unions Department of the Histadrut were opened to Arabs, a total of 5,770 Arab workers applied for membership, it was disclosed here today.

About 1,000 applicants were from Nazareth, 800 in the southern part of the "Triangle" and 500 in the north. There were 800 in Acre, 300 in Haifa and 500 in the surrounding area; 300 in Jaffa and 200 in the Jerusalem district.

JOURNEY into PERSIAN RUG

By THEODOR F. MEYSELS

WE had left Acre with the intention of visiting the Government Stock Farm. But bumping over a sandy, palm-lined trail along Jezzar Pasha's picturesque aqueduct we overshot our goal. Suddenly, amidst overgrown dunes and shaggy palms, we reached the confines of an estate reminiscent of Versailles.

We stood before the large wrought-iron gate of a formal garden with red and white gravel paths, flanked by a profusion of statuary and decorative lamp posts. The grounds occupied the quadrant of an enormous circle, from the centre of which pathways led to gates that were baroque, rococo or vaguely oriental. To enter this surprising park was not difficult: there was no fence between the closed gates. Shyly admiring a succession of leaden urns, decorated with little puttos, heroic eagles, obelisks and gilded peacocks, we made our way to the central building, a Romanesque sort of chapel with the porch of a Swiss chalet. The fact that all the urns, including the eagles, peacocks and obelisks were identically reproduced a dozen times, gave the garden the dreamlike quality of something seen through a mirror, enhanced by bizarre cacti growing between strictly conventional flowerbeds.

Central Shrine

A lonely gardener did his best to shoo us away, but we persevered and were finally led into the dimly lit hall of an old Arab house, where thousands of birds twittered in the rafters. Here we found a friendly host in Mr. Salah, the chief gardener, and just heard from him that we had strayed into the sacred grounds of the Tomb of Baha-'ulla, founder of the Baha'i Faith. Our knowledge of Baha'ism was rather vague. We had always assumed that the Montgolfiere dome, rising over Haifa on the slope of Mt. Carmel marked the central shrine of Baha'ism. Now we were told that Mirza Ali Mohammed is buried in Haifa. Mr. Salah told us how Baha'ulla, after his flight from Persia to Turkey, had freed "Babism" from Islam and founded the new all-embracing faith of Baha'ism. He died in Acre. His grandson, Shukri Effendi, is now the Guardian of the Bahai Shrine, which is considered to be the centre of the world-wide "Wheel of Baha'ism."

Having partaken of refreshment, Mr. Salah took us out into the grounds again, where he explained that His Eminence, with characteristic Persian love of gardens, is his own landscape architect, that all the astonishing gates and statues are gifts from American Baha'ists, while one member of the flock is permanently scouting for new decorative treasures in Italy. Under the porch we left our shoes in the care of two particularly resplendent iron peacocks. The brass of a magnificent baroque chandelier and a pair of empire candelabras had turned green in the seabreeze; a phenomenon which only added to the unworldly charm of the whole arrangement.

All antiquarian deliberations, however, are forgotten as one enters the shrine. The centre of a high and light chamber is occupied by a tiny garden, with lacy foliage of climbing ferns ascending tree-like to the ceiling, where the clerestory forms the only source of light. The rest of the room is covered with a profusion of lovely ancient rugs that lead to a prayer niche, spread with one of the most beautiful Persian Hunt carpets I have ever had the privilege to see. There were many shiny European baubles, lamps of the 1880's and artificial mistletoe. Still, all in all the atmosphere is of such childlike, happy loveliness, that it recalls the flowerbeds, laid out under the ancient trees of Gethsemane. Cushions of rose petals, daily renewed, cover the threshold to the room over the burial vault, lit only by an eternal light and furnished with a single priceless silken rug.

Turkish Comfort

From the shrine we were taken to the "Lofty Mansion," once the master's residence and now the community's museum. The Lofty Mansion, a square building with airy arcades, carried by mighty vaults, truly deserved its name and is probably the best specimen of Turkish country house surviving in Israel. The prophet's living-room has been faithfully preserved in its original state. High, screened windows, low divans around the walls and the master's bed in the centre, make it a perfect period piece. But even Curbusier could not design a more comfortable room for our climate.

Mr. Salah took us to the galleries surrounding the house. A forgotten Turkish painter decorated the walls with enchanting frescoes more than a century ago. Anglo-Austrian frigates shelling Acre jostle the fighting Saracens and angels with harps. There are fantastic animals and the rich ornamentation of Turkish rococo. This decor is probably the last surviving monument of a type of art that died out with the liquidation of Syria's semi-independent *pashaliks*.

We were told that 1953 is a Baha'i Holy Year, the centenary of the execution of the "Bab" in Persia. Whereas in America, Scandinavia, Central Africa and India Baha'is will flock to regional conferences, the Guardian of the Shrines intends to celebrate the anniversary by completing the Carmel Sanctuary and the gardens of Acre. A Baha'i estate near Tiberias was exchanged against 150 dunams adjoining Baha'ullah's tomb. This year the great circle of gardens will be completed around the shrine.

Stylized Pattern

Looking down upon the pattern of red and white paths, of flowerbeds and ornate black posts supporting innumerable white glass balls, urns filled with gilded iron tulips, the eagles, obelisks and all the peacocks, I suddenly understood Shukri Effendi's design: he had placed his grandfather's tomb into the centre of a gigantic Persian rug. The recurrent ornaments are an ingenious emulation of the familiar repetitive *motifs* in a carpet. If the basic layout of the classical Persian rug is indeed derived from the pleasure parks of Persian grandees, as many maintain, Shukri Effendi has designed his garden in the formalized pattern of a grandiose rug. The best Persian carpets are designed to be seen from the centre and not from the borders, that is by the master, reclining on a cushion the middle of a profusion of beauty, and not by lowly retainers, standing beyond the fringe.

Thus, one has to look down on the gardens of Shukri Effendi from the centre, where all the red and white avenues cross, in order to understand their elusive beauty, and to realise that one has journeyed into a Persian rug....

Cambodian Despot as 'Liberator'

Affront to French in Indo-China

By NORA BELOFF

PARIS, — KING Norodom Sinhanouk of Cambodia in Indo-China has declared political war on France.

The irony of this has not escaped French commentators, who are recalling that, but for France, there would certainly be no King Norodom and probably no Cambodia.

Most serious historians of the French colonization of Indo-China would, in fact, subscribe to the opinion of the Cambridge professor of political science, D.W. Brogan, who, in his history of the French Third Republic, recalls that the French found Cambodia on their arrival in an advanced state of decay. "Indeed," he writes, "encroached on to the West by the Siamese, to the East and North by the Tonkingese, the inhabitants of the Indian states of the peninsula (Cambodia and Laos) had some reason to be grateful for the protection thrust upon them by the French. It delayed, if it did not postpone for ever, their economic and political eclipse at the hands of their more energetic neighbours."

"Encroachment"

Since that book was written, the Siamese did, in fact, "encroach" to the extent of annexing a large slice of Cambodia during the last war which the French forced them to give up after the Allied victory.

Since then it has taken immense French effort and treasure and tens of thousands of French lives to keep the whole of Indo-China from being submerged by the Communists. It is only now that, for the first time, an American Secretary of State has identified the "freedom" of Indo-China from Communism as vital to United States security, that Indo-China's present rulers can look to other than French protection to support their regimes.

What matters now, however, is not the past or the future, not the moral right of the French Republic to the personal gratitude of an oriental despot, but the fact that France no longer has the power or prestige to impose its authority on even the weakest of its vassals.

The public slap in the face administered by the 31-year-old Cambodian King, who seems to have cast himself with passionate sincerity in the role of "liberator" of his country from the European yoke will resound all over the French Union—in Africa as well as Asia.

The French complain that the King failed to define the issue of his disagreement with them, and that instead of leaving he should have forwarded his views through the proper channels to Paris. They point to the recent Franco-Cambodian talks in which France made major concessions in granting more self-government to Cambodia in judicial, military and economic matters.

But the King is doubtless right in thinking that the French will never voluntarily meet the essence of his demands, which is total independence, coupled with the offer to stay "inside" the French Union in the same way as Pakistan and India are "inside" the British Commonwealth. If these claims were met, the French would in actuality be repudiating the whole principle of dependence on the French Union.

Commonwealth Pattern

If the Commonwealth has been constructed to allow for independent members loosely allied only by their common link with the Crown, the French Union provides institutional and organic links binding together its member States and designed to form them progressively into a federal union with power divided up between the central authority in Paris and the local governments at home. The High Council of the French Union and the assembly at Versailles have no counterpart whatever in the loose coalition of Commonwealth States.

But if the Commonwealth formula cannot apply, there are many Frenchmen who now believe that the Union itself has no future in Asia and that France would do better to concentrate its powers and resources in her metropolitan and African territories. The unrewarding and ruinously expensive Indo-Chinese war is already unpopular enough here, and King Norodom's discourteous proclamations against France are hardly likely to encourage the French to continue with it.

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Readers' Letters

THE REAL PURPOSE OF GENERAL GLUBB

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — For a political observer the interesting aspect of General Glubb's statement (addressed to the "New York Times") is its purpose. General Glubb explains away the blowing up of houses in Jewish villages and the murdering of inhabitants by ascribing them to Israelis. No shred of evidence is quoted beyond the general consideration that Jews have been known in the past to commit terrorist acts; but not so the Jordanians (including, presumably, former Palestinians?). General Glubb conveniently forgets such facts — among many others — as the extermination of the unarmed University-Hadassah convoy on its way to Mount Scopus, and the assassination of his old friend, King Abdullah. He also forgets the verdicts of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission, whose neutral chairman, General de Ridder, is above suspicion of wishing to condemn Jordan except when unavoidable — yet General Glubb can hardly hope that intelligent readers will share his lapses of memory.

General Glubb's idea lacks even the merit of original contribution to oriental imagination. Decades ago, shortly after the assassination in Cairo of Lee Stack Pasha, the British Governor of Sudan, an Egyptian intellectual tried hard to convince me that the act was perpetrated by the British themselves to give them a pretext for interfering with the Egyptian Government; the only moot point seemed to be whether Lee Stack himself was a party to the conspiracy.

Surely, General Glubb, an Englishman, must realize that this kind of argument will not help to carry conviction in the West, and that his attack on Israel would have been much more effective had he confined himself to insinuating understatements which go down much better with the Anglo-Saxons. Why then did he choose to talk emphatic nonsense?

A reasonable explanation seems to be that his real purpose was to convince, not the readers of the "Times", but the Jordanians; to convince them not, of course, of their innocence of terrorism against Israel (they know better than that!), but of the boundless devotion of General Glubb (and other British officers of the Arab Legion) to the Jordanian cause, as well as of their usefulness in Jordan's not-so-cold war against Israel. General Glubb is merely trying — according to his lights — to prop up the shaky Anglo-Jordanian alliance!

In view of General Glubb's record where Israel is concerned, it would be irrelevant to comment on the moral aspect of such tactics. What is amusingly surprising is the political naivety underlying them. The idea that Arabs would just love the helpful British, but for Zionism — was fairly widespread among British officials years ago. Their experience since then — e.g. in Egypt — should have taught them that the rising wave of Arab nationalism rejects compromises in spite of services rendered — or yet to be rendered by the British. Hatred of Israel does not detract from hatred for the British in occupation; and attributing Arab misery to the existence of Israel does not clash — in Arab minds — with attributing that same misery to the last vestiges of British domination. Those vestiges are likely to be ruthlessly swept away, if and when the Arabs can manage it. If in the process a few terrorist acts should be considered unavoidable, to "liquidate" too conspicuous friends, such as General Glubb for example, it would be just too bad. However, the Jordanians might then take a leaf out of General Glubb's book, and claim that the wicked British have themselves committed these acts of terrorism, merely to tarnish the unblemished reputation of Jordan.

Yours, etc.,
SHLOMO GINOSSAR.
Jerusalem, June 22.

ELECTRICITY AGAIN

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — I am very much surprised to read the letter from the Palestine Electric Corp. Ltd. in reply to Mrs. N.B. of Kfar Ata, in which the P.E.C. said that they will connect Shikun Amidar, Kfar Ata, in about three months from the time they got the order to do so. I am a resident of Kfar Nizachon, and the P.E.C. got the order to supply our Shikun with electricity on or before December 31, 1952, but we are still without it.

Yours etc.,
ERWIN HALBERSTADT
Kfar Nizachon, June 3.

P.E.C. Replies

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — With reference to the letter from Mr. Erwin Halberstadt, we are pleased to state that Kfar Nizachon was this week connected to the main electricity network.

Yours etc.,
The Palestine Electric Corporation Ltd.
Haifa, June 19.

PEN FRIENDS

Sir,— Do girls and boys go to school in Israel? Here they go to school together. I am 11 and my birthday is in August.

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KEEPING POSTED

THE Bnei Brak bus from Tel Aviv is always crowded and usually noisy, and often enough its departure is delayed at the last moment by people who have got on by mistake. On one particular occasion recently all went well enough at first. Among the last to get on were an elderly couple, obviously immigrants, and with a rather rustic look about them. They counted over their packages carefully, encouraged each other when they realised they would have to go upstairs on the double-decker, as it was full below, and settled down. As the bus lurched off they struggled from their seats in a panic and called so piercingly for it to stop that the driver pulled up immediately. They came down white and shaken, and bewildered that nobody else seemed to be worrying. The top bus, they said, had moved off without a driver.

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SINCE the debacle in Jalameh two years ago the police has been very careful with religious prisoners, and whatever civil law you may be suspected of having broken nobody will cause you to break a religious precept in prison. This is sometimes not inconvenient for the suspect. During the interrogation of the terrorist suspects recently, an orthodox youth was confronted with a girl, and told to say whether he knew her, which was considered extremely likely. The boy shaded his eyes modestly, looked down at the floor, and declared that the law forbade him to look at strange women, and that he would not undertake to glance at her for long enough to say whether she was a stranger or not.

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WE have been hearing the story of a citizen who has been trying to get married in Jerusalem. She knows little Hebrew and very little religious law, and the Bet Din (religious court) was not immediately satisfied that she was a fit person to contract a marriage in Jewish law. Would she apply to the Bet Din in London, where she came from, for a recommendation? She wrote to her brother in England to fix the business up for her, and this is the reply she received

"I phoned the Bet Din as soon as I got your letter (Thursday)..... the man said had we a mother living, and in that case he would make an appointment for her to come next Thursday at 4.30. I asked him whether he couldn't make it a bit sooner, as I thought your plans were being held up, but he said it was quite out of the question — didn't I know they had a Coronation?"

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OUR cinema critic says that he was sitting enjoying the "Seven Deadly Sins" at the Edison Theatre the other evening. They had just reached the sequence called "Envy," which is concerned with the beautiful and rather cat-like wife of an artist who gets upset because she suspects her husband of preferring the genuine cat he had before, when a terrible miaowing began in the gallery. He tried to shush what he took to be humorists, but the miaowing became more and more ferocious, until finally there was a scuffle and a scrambling noise, and the cat that had found its way in found its way out again. The next day, he says, he went to see "Criss Cross," and there was a baby crying all the way through, and without the shadow of an excuse, as there is no baby in the film.

This week's contributors include J. Herz, Tel Aviv.

Men and Things

WESTERNERS' ideas about Oriental love are usually conflicting. On the one hand there is the splendid, if rather formal, literature, which may appear as religious allegory, like the Song of Solomon, or as connected love lyrics, like the Sanskrit *Chauraspanchasika*. On the other hand, Westerners' direct observation tells them that the Oriental lady is circumscribed to the Nth degree, and has such a subservient position in life that she degenerates early and cannot remain a superb mate for that upstanding and pampered creature, her lord and master.

We contemplate the divine *apsaras* on Hindu temples with their comfortable proportions and serene expressions, and think at once of the hooded peasant woman with chronic ophthalmia, scrabbling in the dust with a primitive instrument which serves her as a hoe. Yet taste, like memory, is selective, and we therefore lean more heavily on aesthetic evidences which represent the ideal, not the reality, of the Orient.

Hence Professor Arberry, the noted Arabist, may expect a good reception for his translation of Ibn Hazm's 'The Ring of the Dove,' a treatise on the art and practice of Arab love written in Umayyid Spain. Ibn Hazm declares himself qualified, since he has "observed women, and got to know their secrets to an extent almost unparalleled": and he has "forgot nothing of what he has seen them do."

Such a splendid testimonial, given by the author to himself, explains why he is able to write a whole chapter "On Failing in Love while Asleep." Arabs always were good at explaining to the gullible, in verbose verisimilitudes, how to achieve the impossible.

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